

To the Members of the California Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 2370 without my signature.

This bill establishes a new statutory evaluation for teachers and places unnecessary restrictions on the use of the student evaluations. Nothing in current law restricts teachers from voluntarily distributing non-binding student evaluations as proposed by this bill.

Furthermore, current law already requires teachers to go through a rigorous process of certification, re-certification, and professional development. Codifying this authorization in statute could conflict with existing teacher accountability protocols that adjudicate teacher quality.

Therefore I am unable to support this bill.

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger